The provisions of the Cattle Trespass Act have been extended to be made applicable to ducks and drakes and the greatest harm was seen done in two villages, Cheranellur and Kadamakkudi. Arrangements are being made to impound these in these two villages so that they may not create the same trouble to the paddy fields hereafter. For this purpose this amount is wanted. I pray that it may be sanctioned.

Demand put and carried.

19. Rs. 1,310 under 20-2-Collegiate Education—Field Games

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Sir, I move for an additional allotment of Rs. 1,310 under "20-2-Collegiate Education—Field Games".

This amount represents the cost of construction of yacht for the use of the College Sea Scouts and the cost of repairing and repainting of another presented to the College by our Ex-Diwan, Mr. Dixon. The first amount of Rs. 860 which was provided for in the last year's budget but unfortunately the work could not be completed before the year was out and so the amount could not be paid to Messrs. Brunton and Co. It is simply a restoration of the amount that lapsed last year due to no fault of the Government. The cost of the repair and repainting comes to Rs. 450. I request that the House may be pleased to sanction the allotment.

Demand put and carried.

20. Rs. 8,600 under 20-2-Collegiate Education—Technological Institution—Cost of equipment

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Sir, I move for an additional allotment of Rs. 8,600 under "20-2-Collegiate Education—Technological Institute—Cost of equipment, etc."

The Technological Iustitute of the College was inaugurated only in a few weeks ago and the actual provision of the budget was not commensurate with our needs. New equipment had to be purchased. There is also the cost of inaguration and so on. A sum of Rs. 4,400 was provided in the budget. That is inadequate. It has to be supplemented by this amount of Rs. 8,600. I request that the House may be pleased to sanction this allotment.

Cut motion

***Mr. Joseph Pettah** *(Adur):* Mr. President, Sir, I move that the amount of Rs. 8,600 for Technological Institute under Collegiate Education be reduced by Re. 1 for the purpose of initiating a discussion on the meagreness of the amount allotted for Ayurvedic Research. Referring to the note to the Standing Finance Committee it is found that an amount of Rs. 500 is required for the purchase of articles for Ayurvedic Research. So the demand for Ayurvedic Research is only Rs. 500 in the additional allotment claimed.

Mr. President: I must remind the Hon'ble Member that this is a demand for a supplementary grant and these figures should be read with those which appear in the budget passed by this House six months ago. It is hardly fair to comment on the supplementary demand without reference to the amount already provided in the budget.

***Mr. Joseph Pettah** *(Adur):* If we take the budget figures and the supplementary demand figures, if we take all these figures together it will be seen that the amount set apart for Ayurvedic Research is very meagre compared with the importance of the particular branch of Medical Science. It is only to point out the necessity for increased provision for Ayurvedic Research in the State that I am moving this cut. It is a very meagre provision as I said that is provided for in the budget and in the supplementary grant also only a pittance of Rs. 500 is provided for. It would seem that this Ayurvedic Research is treated as the cynderla of the Medical Service. It is receiving in my opinion a worse than step-motherly treatment. I have to submit, Sir, that Research is an important factor in the development of the Ayurvedic System of medicine. For the matter of that, it is important in other medical lines too. The need is very great and urgent and the scope for Research is immense and almost unlimited. The various lines in which the Research would have to be conducted are of course known to the experts, but even a layman is not unaware of some of these lines in which Research work could be taken up and ought to be taken up. For instance, to discover the medicinal virtues in the various plants, fruits and roots and also in the inorganic substances like metals and salts. Our forests seem to be full of these medicinal herbs and they could be had very cheaply anywhere in the State. The only difficulty is that very often these virtues are not

*Speech not corrected by the Hon'ble Member

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